

Bonus



THE NURSE AGENCY^INK

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The Agency That Cares



GOLD SEAL: The Nurse Agency is Certified by JCAHO as a Health Care Staffing Service!



We are very proud to announce that we have been certified by JCAHO as a Health Care Staffing Service! We are one of a handful of agencies in Illinois that have achieved this distinction. The JCAHO Gold Seal demonstrates to Hospitals and Health Care providers that The Nurse Agency has demonstrated a commitment to excellence in providing health care staffing. It also recognizes our dedication to providing nurses that are qualified to provide safe, high-quality care to patients.

Thank you to all of our employees who gave our JCAHO representative feedback about us when we went through the review process in April. We could not have achieved this without you!



WANTED: NICU RNs for ADVOCATE CHRIST HOSPITAL, L&D RNs for MAC NEAL HOSPITAL and Telemetry RNs for ILLINOIS MASONIC MEDICAL CENTER!

REWARD: \$500.00 FOR BOTH YOU AND YOUR REFERRAL!

The Nurse Agency has been contacted by the company that manages staffing for all Advocate facilities as well as Mac Neal Hospital. They are requesting that The Nurse Agency provide them with RNs in very specific areas: Contracted NICU RNs at Christ Hospital, per diem Labor & Delivery RNs at Mac Neal Hospital and per diem Telemetry RNs at Illinois Masonic Hospital. Contracts at these facilities would soon lead to contracts at *all Advocate facilities*.

In order to recruit these specialties for these facilities we will be offering a \$500.00 Referral Bonus from June 11, 2006–October 28, 2006. Both you and your referral will receive a \$500.00 bonus if your referral works 80 hours in the first three months after activation. The referred RN *must* work at Christ, Mac Neal or Illinois Masonic in order to receive the bonus.

Please call us if you are interested in staffing at these facilities—we will be offering a \$2.00 Premium pay rate bonus from the start of the contract through October 28, 2006.



Education Information



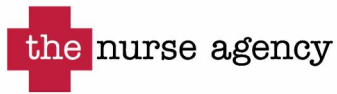
Please be wary of online CPR and ACLS courses that issue renewal cards without having you complete a skills demonstration supervised by an ACLS and/or CPR Instructor. Passing the written exam is not enough to certify you in ACLS and CPR according to the American Heart Association (AHA). The skills testing must be completed. The cards these websites issue are not AHA approved cards and will not be accepted by the hospitals that we staff.

If you have any questions about whether a class is an AHA approved course please call our office. If you have taken an online CPR course we can issue an AHA approved CPR Healthcare Provider card to you if you come into our office with your written exam and complete the skills testing. Call us to make an appointment.

**Northwestern Memorial Hospital
\$5.00 Per Hour Bonus Extended!**

The Northwestern Memorial Hospital \$5.00 per hour bonus has been so successful we are extending it until September 9th, 2006. This Bonus is \$5.00 an hour more than our Premium Pay Rates! NOTE: If you have already received the orientation packet please call us so we can send you the updated orientation materials (the disks you have will only be accepted until June 16th). Please call us if you would like the orientation materials to be mailed to you. For your convenience, the orientation can be completed on your home computer.

The Nurse Agency is Certified by JCAHO as a Certified Health Care Staffing Service and Cook County as a Women Business Enterprise!



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Free TB Testing and CPR Renewal In Our Office

Don't forget that you may renew your CPR card and get your annual TB testing done in our office at no charge if you are an active employee. The CPR renewal class only takes about an hour and a half and you receive your card the same day.



Looking For Continuing Education Units?

Check out www.thenurseagency.com! We now have a continuing education page that links you to various online resources offering CEU's for RNs. Some even offer free CEU's! Let us know if you know of a good online resource for RNs and we'll link to them on our website.

Please note: If you recently received an *Evaluation Form* in the mail please make sure you take the form with you to your *next shift* and have a Charge RN or Unit Manager complete it. We are required to evaluate all RNs at least annually. Do not use this evaluation form at Northwestern Memorial Hospital or John Stroger Hospital of Cook County as they have their own evaluation procedure for Agency RNs.

NEWS AND NOTES...

- Quality Control notices are sent weekly to RNs who have credentials that will expire within 45 days. Please return the requested items as soon as possible. You will not be able to work if your file is not kept up to date. All QC's are available on our website, www.thenurseagency.com, for downloading or give us a call and we will mail them to you.
- New on the Web: Check out our website, www.thenurseagency.com. We currently have a link on our home page to a study the American Staffing Association helped fund regarding the *relationship between the use of temporary nurses and patient outcomes*.
- Have an Idea, Comment or Question? We Want Your Feedback! We are always searching for new ways to improve the service we provide our nurses and our hospital clients. Please don't hesitate to call us with any feedback you may have. We won't know if you are satisfied with the service we provide unless you tell us! Comments or questions can also be sent to us via our website www.thenurseagency.com. Simply go to the [Contact Us](#) page and send us an email